St. Paul's Church, London, ..

CHRISTMAS DAY, 1885.

FIRST HYMN

High let us swell our tuneful notes,
And join th' angelic throng,
For angels no such love have known,
To awake a cheerful song.

Good will to sinful men is shown,
And peace on earth is given;
For, lo! th' incarnate Saviour comes,
With messages from heav'n.

Justice and grace, with sweet accord,
His rising beams adorn;
Let heav'n and earth in concert join,
"To us a child is born."
Good will to sinful men, &c.

Glory to Gon in highest strains,
In highest worlds be paid;
His glory by our lips proclaimed
And by our lives displayed.
Good will to sinful men, &c.

SECOND HYMN.

Hark! the herald angels sing, Glory to the new-born king, Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconcil'd! Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies, With the angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Mark ! the herald angels sing, &c.

Christ by highest heav'n adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come,
Offspring of a virgin's womb;
Veiled in flesh the Godhead he,
Hail the incarnate Deity;
Pleased as man with man t' appear,
Jesus our Immanuel here.

Hark ! the herald angels sing, &c.

THIRD HYMN.

Angelic messenger repeat those joyful sounds once more;

For sure no accents half so sweet, e'er reach'd my ears before.

Glad tidings, from heaven I bring; Glad tidings to all upon earth; This day is Christ born to be king And Bethlehem's the place of his birth.

Sounds seraphic fill the air, Angel bands assemble there; Heaven itself come down to earth,—-Celebrates the Saviour's birth.

Glory to God on high be given, And on earth, peace, good will from heaven.

Hallelujah, Amen.

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